



Haven Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot 2019



Glen Carlou is situated in the Simonsberg-Paarl region of South Africa's Western Cape.

Our vineyard blocks encompass a variety of slopes and aspects - each is nurtured according to its own unique potential, respecting the natural cycles of the vines.

Our 145 hectare property transferred back to local ownership when in 2016, Glen Carlou was purchased by a South African family consortium.

Significant investments have been made for the vineyard replanting programme, one of several initiatives implemented since the change in ownership. Robust drought resistant rootstocks and new clones are being planted to increase the hectares under vine.

The rich tapestries of passionate people interwoven with insightful custodians have shaped and continue to develop Glen Carlou. A splendid storyline supports our desirable international reputation of being a trusted, highly awarded and respected wine brand.

Wine of Origin Coastal

In the Vineyard

The vineyard aspect and row direction for Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot restricts direct sun exposure of the grapes, which is perfect for gentle ripening. Careful canopy management within these blocks is important to ensure the bunch zones receive good sunlight, but in a controlled way. The average yield from both these vineyards is limited annually to approximately 10 tons per hectare.

In the Cellar

After sorting, crushing and destemming, the juice and skins underwent cold maceration for three days and then fermented in stainless steel tanks. Subsequent to the completion of the alcoholic fermentation, the grapes were pressed and the wine was transferred to barrel. The components were kept separate and matured in a combination of older 225L French oak barrels and 6000L oak vats, in which malolactic fermentation took place.

In the Glass

"A harmonious medium bodied red wine with juicy dark berry fruit, savoury notes and aromatic wood aromas. Upfront the nose has a typical cassis scent, followed by fragrant cedar and luscious black cherry. The elegant tannin structure on the palate is balanced by a fresh acidity and mellow fruit flavours".
Johnnie Calitz (winemaker)

Wine Analysis Alc. 14 % R.S. 5.3g/l T.A. 5.8g/l pH 3.49